

# Timbarra P-9 College Newsletter

## Important Dates

### February

Mon 21 - Getting to Know You Interviews

Tues 22 - Year 7 Immunisations

- Primary District Swimming

Fri 25 - Project ROCKIT Presentation Year 7 - 9

### March

Tues 1 - Year 7 - 9 Student Leaders Conference

Thurs 3 - Year 6 Scienceworks Excursion

Thurs 10 - School Photo Day

Mon 14 - Labour Day Public Holiday

## Department of Education Information

### Student accident Insurance/ambulance Cover

Parents/guardians are reminded that: Parents/ guardians of students, who do not have students accident cover are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport cost; and Parents/guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers.

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development cannot advise parents/guardians on whether to purchase a student accident/ ambulance cover, or which policy to purchase.

It is recommended that parents/guardians seek assistance in this matter with their insurance broker or find a suitable personal accident insurer in the Yellow Pages or online,

For further information from DEECD please contact:

David Pool 9637 8533 or

Jane Wilhelm 9637 2509

## Message from the Principal

Welcome back to the 2022 school year.

Our school community has made a strong start to the year, continuing to show the perseverance and resilience evident last year, especially in our abrupt change to remote and flexible learning. As we did last year, we will do all we can to support the wellbeing of all our students and to ensure that learning continues.

I would like to welcome all new students and their families. You are joining a wonderful school with exceptional teachers who will support you to achieve your best. Timbarra P-9 College provides a learning community where we all respect and care for each other, always working cooperatively as a team.

Thank you to our staff who worked hard over the break to prepare for our start of year. Many staff returned early from holidays to attend professional development and prepare classrooms for their students. We have a committed and dedicated staff here at Timbarra who work beyond in providing the best possible learning environment for your child/children.

We are looking forward to another successful school year.

Cassandra Marinopoulos  
Acting Principal

## School Update

The Canteen is now open every Wednesday and Friday . Orders to be placed through QKR, instructions can be found in this newsletter.

The Second Hand Uniform shop is open every second Tuesday starting Tuesday 8th February.

CSEF applications are now due. If you have not completed a form yet, they can be found in the office or on Compass.

## OSHC Updates

OSHC Phone Number: 9 705 7400

OSHC Hours: Before: 7am – 9am      After: 3pm – 6:30pm  
Vacation Care Hours: 7am – 6pm      Curriculum Day: 7am – 6pm

\*If our phone is unattended, please leave your booking or cancellation on the answering machine.

NOTE: We will only call you back if we are unable to take your child due to ratios, otherwise if you do not hear from us, everything is fine.

### HIGHER CCS FOR SOME FAMILIES COMING IN MARCH 2022

From March 2022, families with more than one child aged 5 or under in care will get a higher Child Care Subsidy (CCS) for their second child and younger children.

The standard rate child will get the standard CCS rate. This is usually the eldest CCS-eligible child aged 5 or under in the family. Younger children will get a higher subsidy.

Eligible higher rate children will receive a 30% higher subsidy, up to a maximum 95%.

Families may be eligible if they:

- Earn less than \$354,305
- Have more than one child aged 5 or under in child care.

Families already getting CCS don't need to do anything. Services Australia will automatically increase the CCS for eligible second and younger children.

<https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/your-number-children-care-can-affect-your-child-care-subsidy?>

### UDATING YOUR CONTACT/BOOKING DETAILS

#### CONTACTS:

If any your contact details have changed, please let us know and we can update them on the system for you. **This includes, but not limited to;** Address, Phone Numbers, Emails, Authorisations, Court Orders, Immunisation Records, etc.

It is most important that we have the correct details for you, as if we need to contact you in an emergency or anyone you have authorised to pick up your child/ren, these details must be correct.

#### BOOKINGS:

As a new year brings lots of changes, some parents/carers have changed jobs, hours, days, etc.

So if your child/ren's permanent bookings change any time, it is your responsibility to let us know, otherwise the bookings you already have will still be charged to you, even if your child/ren do not show up.

So now would be a good time to let us know if any of those booking details have or will be changing.

Please contact us ASAP on the phone number above.

#### INVOICES:

The next OSHC Invoice will be sent via Email to you on;  
Tuesday, 15th February 2022 and are due the week you receive your Invoice.

As our 'Payment of Fees Policy' states;

**A child's position will be suspended if payment has not been received within three weeks of receiving their invoice. The suspended place will be re-activated once the invoice has been paid in full.**

Please make sure you are checking your Emails. Also, if you have not received an invoice, please first check your 'Junk Mail' box. If it is not there, please contact us to make sure we have the correct Email address for you.

You can check all your details on your 'Parent Portal' at any time.

To check your Invoices, update any personal details and make sure we have the correct information at all times, this is the site you will need;

**Parent Portal site:** <https://www.smartcentral.net/v2/home>

Username: is your Email

Password: is your Mobile Number

### POLICIES UP FOR REVIEW IN DECEMBER:

Physical Environment Policy, Rest Time Policy, Environmentally Responsible Policy, Staffing Arrangements Policy, English as Additional Language Policy

**NOTE:** All Policies are available at the OSHC Service for parents to view and add input before the end of the month.

Lisa, Elisabeth, Hailey, Isla & Ashlee - (OSHC Staff)

### Timbarra Fundraising Group Second Hand Uniform Stall

Our second hand uniform shop is open fortnightly at 2.30pm-  
3.10pm in the Learning Common.

Tuesday 22nd February

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy.

Please take time to remind yourself of the school's collection statement, found on our website [www.timbarrap9.vic.edu.au/policies](http://www.timbarrap9.vic.edu.au/policies)

For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents. This information is also available in nine community languages:

- Amharic
- Arabic
- Dari
- Mandarin
- Somali
- Sudanese
- Turkish
- Urdu
- Vietnamese.

## PRIMARY SCHOOL PRIVACY INFORMATION for parents and carers

During the ordinary course of your child's attendance at our school, school staff will collect your child's personal and health information when necessary to educate your child, or to support your child's social and emotional wellbeing or health in the school context. Such information will also be collected when required to fulfil a legal obligation, including duty of care, anti-discrimination law and occupational health and safety law. If that information is not collected, the school may be unable to provide optimal education or support to your child, or fulfil those legal obligations.

For example, health information may be collected through the school nurse, primary welfare officer or wellbeing staff member. If your child is referred to a specific health service at school, such as a Student Support Services officer, the required consent will be obtained. Our school also collects information provided by parents and carers through the School Entrance Health Questionnaire (SEHQ) and the Early Childhood Intervention Service (ECIS) Transition Form.

Our school may use online tools, such as apps and other software, to effectively collect and manage information about your child for teaching and learning purposes, parent communication and engagement; student administration; and school management purposes. When our school uses these online tools, we take steps to ensure that your child's information is secure. If you have any concerns about the use of these online tools, please contact us. School staff will only share your child's personal or health information with other staff who need to know to enable the school to educate or support your child, or fulfil a legal obligation.

When our students transfer to another Victorian government school, personal and health information about that student will be transferred to that next school. Transferring this information is in the best interests of our students and assists that next school to provide optimal education and support to students.

In some limited circumstances, information may be disclosed outside of the school (and outside of the Department of Education and Training). The school will seek your consent for such disclosures unless the disclosure is allowed or mandated by law.

Our school values the privacy of every person. When collecting and managing personal and health information, all school staff must comply with Victorian privacy law. For more information about privacy including about how to access personal and health information held by the school about you or your child, see our school's privacy policy: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/schoolsprivacy-policy.aspx>

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## SECONDARY SCHOOL ENROLMENT PRIVACY COLLECTION STATEMENT

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# BACK TO SCHOOL FOR 6Y



It has been an amazing first two weeks back at school for everyone in 6Y! We have been busy settling into new roles and responsibilities as year sixers, our Year 6 tops arriving, meeting our prep buddies and getting straight into work like champions. We are already beginning to feel like one big family!!



## PMI (PRIMARY MUSIC INSTITUTE) 2022 KEYBOARD, ACOUSTIC GUITAR AND VOCAL LESSONS

Dear Parents / Guardians,

The Primary Music Institute will again in 2022 offering keyboard lessons, ACOUSTIC guitar lessons and vocal lessons to years 2-6 students at Timbarra P-9 College. The lessons held at Timbarra P-9 College during school hours on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

### Costs

The cost of a small group lesson (typically 3 students for 30 minutes) is \$21.50 per lesson. Other options available are pair lessons (2 students) at \$26.50 and private at \$35.50 per lesson.

### Demonstration Session

This week a short keyboard and acoustic guitar demonstration will be conducted in each class or in groups of classes at various times throughout the day on Tuesday Feb 8 th. During this an information brochure (which contains an enrolment form) will be handed to those students who may be interested. The enrolment forms are also available in the foyer of the college administration / office / reception area. Please inform your child's class or home room teacher in writing, if you would prefer your child not to participate in the keyboard or acoustic guitar demonstration.

### Enrolment

If you are interested in your child / children beginning to learn the keyboard or guitar please enrol on Primary Music Institute's website at [www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au](http://www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au) or complete the 'enrolment' form contained in the Primary Music Institute information brochure and return it to the Primary Music Institute by Friday 12th February. The 'enrolment' form should be forwarded directly to the Primary Music Institute. Please, DO NOT, return the enrolment forms to Timbarra P-9 College.

### Contact

If you have any queries please contact the Primary Music Institute directly.

Their contact details are:

Phone: 1300 362 824

Fax: 1300 764 674

E-mail: [admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au](mailto:admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au)

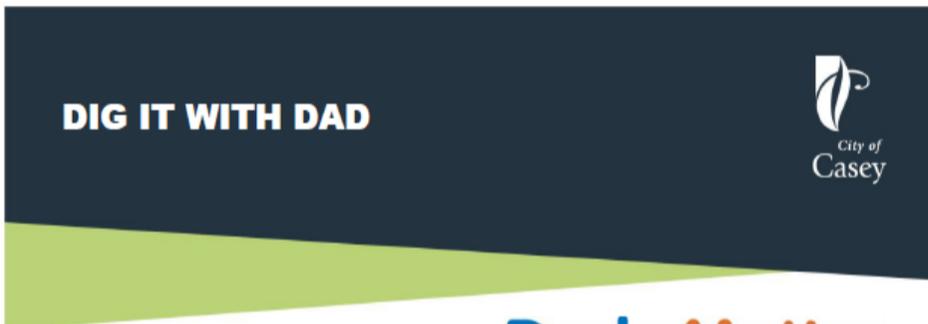
Yours sincerely,

Peter Crowe

(PMI Co -ordinator)

# BUDDY CLASSES 2022

|        |    |    |  |
|--------|----|----|--|
| Prep P |    | 6H |  |
| Prep M |    | 6Y |  |
| 1S     |    | 6W |  |
| 1A     | 3C | 5W |  |
| 2A     |    | 5M |  |
| 2M     |    | 5A |  |
| 3O     |    | 4P |  |
| 3M     |    | 4R |  |



**Dads Matter**  
(it's a family thing)

**Come and join other dads for a fun dig in the garden with your kids!**

- When** Weekly during school term, commencing Wednesday 9 February 2022
- Where** Old Cheese Factory, The Old Shop  
34 Homestead Road, Berwick
- Time** 9.30 am – 11.30 am
- Cost** FREE

For any enquiries: contact City of Casey on 9705 5200 or email [dadsmatter@casey.vic.gov.au](mailto:dadsmatter@casey.vic.gov.au)



Grow veggies and flowers, meet the chickens and discover the beehive. Teach your children about nature and then jump into some active play with toys and activities provided. It's easy, fun and FREE!  
All fathers, father-figures and their children aged 0-6 are welcome.

**Contact the City of Casey:**

**Web:** [casey.vic.gov.au](http://casey.vic.gov.au)  
**Email:** [caseycc@casey.vic.gov.au](mailto:caseycc@casey.vic.gov.au)  
**Phone:** 03 9705 5200  
**Post:** PO Box 1000, Narre Warren VIC 3805  
**NRS:** 133 677 (for the deaf, hearing or speech impaired)

**Customer Service Centres:**

**Narre Warren:** Bunjil Place, Patrick Northeast Drive, Narre Warren  
**Cranbourne:** Cranbourne Park Shopping Centre, Cranbourne  
**ABN:** 43 320 295 742



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### Step 2 Register

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### Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

### Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

Search for our school name

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

